

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 1 has been amended to require the limitations of claim 3 or claim 4 in the alternative (options for the chain transfer agent). Claims 3 and 4 are allowable. Therefore, Claim 1 is allowable.

Claims 14-18, 20, 21 and 23 are also indicated as being allowable except they depend from a claim that is not allowable.

Claim 14 has been presented in independent form.

Claim 17 has been presented in independent form.

Claim 19 has been amended to require the limitations of claim 20 or claim 23 in the alternative (options for the free radical initiator).

New claim 33 is a presentation of claim 19 as amended to require the limitations of claim 3 or claim 4 in the alternative (options for the chain transfer agent).

New claim 34 is a presentation of claim 19 as amended to require the limitations of claim 14.

New claim 35 is a presentation of claim 19 as amended to require the limitations of claim 17.

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Claims 2-5, 20, 22-24, 26 and 27 are cancelled.

In the office action, claims 6-11, 13 and 30-32 were allowed. Claims 3, 4, 14-18, 20, 21 and 23 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

The new independent claims are all allowed claims or are based on claims that were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form, namely claims 3, 4, 6, 14, 17, 20, 23 and 32.

It is therefore submitted that the amended claims should be found in allowable form as they simply present the allowable subject matter in independent form.

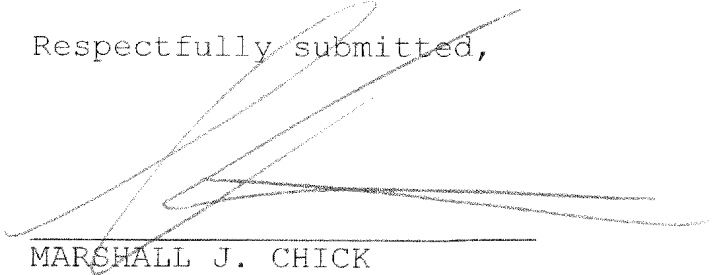
The dependent claims are allowable at least by virtue of their dependency on an allowable independent claim.

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In view of the above, the rejections are avoided. Allowance of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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**Encs.: Petition for One Month Extension of Time and Fee
Fee for additional filing fee (5 dependent claims)**